

AMENDED IN SENATE AUGUST 7, 2006

**Senate Concurrent Resolution**

**No. 120**

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**Introduced by Senator Denham**

May 18, 2006

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Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 120—Relative to Caltrans Highway Maintenance Lead Worker Michael (Flea) Feliciano Memorial Highway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 120, as amended, Denham. Caltrans Highway Maintenance Lead Worker Michael (Flea) Feliciano Memorial Highway.

This measure would designate that portion of State Highway Route 101 north of Chualar *between Payson Street and Esperanza Road* in Monterey County as the Caltrans Highway Maintenance Lead Worker Michael (Flea) Feliciano Memorial Highway. The measure would request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost for appropriate signs showing this designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- 1 WHEREAS, Michael (Flea) Feliciano was born on January 25,
- 2 1949, in Monterey, California; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Michael (Flea) Feliciano graduated from Pacific
- 4 Grove High School and Monterey Peninsula College where he
- 5 majored in Police Science; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Michael (Flea) Feliciano played varsity baseball
- 7 all four years in high school, was the first athlete at Pacific Grove
- 8 High School to receive All Mission Trail Athletic League three

1 years in a row as a varsity pitcher, and played as a semi-pro  
2 baseball pitcher from 1967 to 1976; and

3 WHEREAS, In 2004, Michael (Flea) Feliciano was the  
4 District 5 Maintenance Lead Worker of, and an eleven year  
5 employee with, the Department of Transportation (Caltrans); and

6 WHEREAS, Prior to working for Caltrans, Michael (Flea)  
7 Feliciano worked for 14 years for the City of Seaside Parks  
8 Department and was responsible for all irrigation of parks,  
9 islands, and medians; and also worked for the Fort Ord Golf  
10 Course and the Garnerville Ranchos District; and

11 WHEREAS, Michael (Flea) Feliciano was a state-certified  
12 water auditor, a member of the Northern California Turf Council,  
13 and a member of the National Crisis Prevention Institute; and

14 WHEREAS, On February 25, 2004, Michael (Flea) Feliciano's  
15 crew was returning to the maintenance yard in Salinas after  
16 closing a lane due to storm flooding on State Highway Route 101  
17 when an errant driver crossed the highway median and slammed  
18 into the truck Michael (Flea) Feliciano was driving, killing  
19 Michael (Flea) Feliciano; and

20 WHEREAS, Michael (Flea) Feliciano was the 159th Caltrans  
21 worker to be killed in the line of duty since 1924; and

22 WHEREAS, Michael (Flea) Feliciano is survived by his wife  
23 of 34 years, Marty Feliciano, and three brothers and one sister;  
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25 WHEREAS, Michael (Flea) Feliciano was an excellent golfer  
26 and, with his wife Marty, worked to find homes for abandoned  
27 and stray animals through the Monterey County SPCA, the  
28 Humane Society of the United States, and the World Wildlife  
29 Fund; and

30 WHEREAS, As a highway worker, Michael (Flea) Feliciano  
31 faced dangers on a daily basis; and

32 WHEREAS, It is important and fitting that we pay tribute to  
33 and commemorate the life and memory of Michael (Flea)  
34 Feliciano; and

35 *Resolved, by the Senate of the State of California, the*  
36 *Assembly thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby  
37 officially designates that portion of State Highway Route 101  
38 north of Chualar *between Payson Street and Esperanza Road* in  
39 Monterey County as the "Caltrans Highway Maintenance Lead

1 Worker Michael (Flea) Feliciano Memorial Highway”; and be it  
2 further

3 *Resolved*, That the Department of Transportation is requested  
4 to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers,  
5 consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway  
6 system, showing these special designations, and upon receiving  
7 donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover that cost, to  
8 erect those plaques and markers; and be it further

9 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of  
10 this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the  
11 author for appropriate distribution.

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